Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Father Lyle Martin, and we are richer because Father Martin lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Father Martin was born on March 26, 1926, to Joseph and Hannah Martin and grew up around the area of Erwin, South Dakota, graduating from Erwin High School and was drafted into the United States Army where he served in WWII; and,

Whereas, Father Martin married Marion Larson on December 17, 1945, Father Martin married Moyra Pospisil on June 25, 2006, uniting two families to this union of 8 children, 17 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Father Martin became an Episcopalian priest at the age of 64 and retired at the age of 85; and,

Whereas, Father Martin will observe his 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2016, as

FATHER LYLE MARTIN DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his family and friends in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State